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SHALL IT BE TOBACCO

Will We Sit Idly By and Let Prosperity Pass

We are aware that war and rumors of war are absorbing the interest of our people, but let time settle that exacting question, which it will, and give freedom to the struggling Cubans. That which should interest every citizen of Ocala and Marion county and permeate every fiber of their being is, how can I promote the best material interests of this people and community? We talk about money and hard times and speculate volubly and copiously in thought, in word, in gesture and in dreams. Here 99 out of every 100 of us stop, sigh and moan, and in sheer desperation turn upon our government, its laws and the way our public business is conducted, and lay all the blame there. We are full of reform ideas but we neglect the very essential of all reformers, the capability to inspect, size up and pass judgment on our own acts, which are want of co-operation in local affairs, which will give work and, in time, money to those who will join in the industry. This industry is tobacco growing. It is admitted that it is no longer an experiment. The past season has demonstrated this fact. For evidence, see the establishments of Messrs. Medero and Martin, and what they contain in cured product, which will shortly be ready for market. We understand the objection of many of our growers. They are various. The largest and most general is that the growing of the plant is too exacting. Then they don't get enough money for it when grown, and then many say that they can't sell it when grown. The last reason is not a valid one, for during the past season all tobacco offered was taken and paid for. True, not every grower got "his" price, but then in these cases quality determined that question. Unfortunately, too many of our growers grew indifferent and the result was that the price corresponded with the kind. The great trouble is, we are too impatient, we expect too much and don't apply our energy properly.

Another season is upon us. What shall the harvest be? Just what we shall make it. From all over the country come requests to the two parties in Ocala, who, during the past season, paid out over \$10,000 in cash for the tobacco offered, asking if they, the farmers, grew it, could they find a market for it.

Here comes the rub. Those in the business have invested their spare cash and the crop still remains in their curing houses not yet aged enough for the manufacturer's use. These men are as confident of the quality of their goods and their ability to sell it at a good price when the proper time comes as they are that they breathe. But they need capital to maintain and enlarge this promising product and cash money crop. To encourage outside capital to come in we must go forward with our efforts and assistance. Will the people of Ocala take a hand in this matter and, by helping the promoters of the tobacco industry, help themselves?



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themselves? We hear the reply: "Oh, I can't do anything, I haven't any money; let those who make money out of this business supply the cash." This is an old, selfish and unreasonable view to take of this or any other matter that affects the vital interests of the business and prosperity of your community; for any move or project that is of general good must help you as an individual. What can not be done individually can be done collectively or by co-operation.

Let Ocala organize a tobacco growers' society: its fund to be secured on the installment plan. Let each man or woman take stock as they can see their way clear to pay for it in monthly installments. The merchants are most largely interested in this matter. Let these men head the list and every property owner follow, go out and get subscribers, begin the work at once and inside of ninety days this association can have between \$2000 and \$3000 with which to buy tobacco grown this season and ready for the curing house. We have the curing houses; we have the men who are experts in curing the tobacco and by this process there is not a possibility of any contributor losing his contributions, no matter how small they may be.

The experiment is being tried in Dade City and Bartow and is working well.

Will Ocala help herself or, like "chair warmers," continue our tale of woe, groan and bewail our lot when we can help ourselves if we will but try.

Space calls a halt, but the reader will please grasp the idea that this suggestion of self help is along the line of a savings bank or a building and loan association. Will we sit idly by and let the opportunity pass? It is ours, will we improve it?

—Latest styles of organdies at Rheinauer's.

WAR CLOUD WAXES

United States Not Satisfied With Spain's Answer

Washington, April 1.—There is little doubt that the president and the members of his cabinet now regard a conflict with Spain as almost inevitable. In his message to Congress, which in all probability will be sent in next Monday, the president will review the record as it stands between this government and Spain, but will not insist upon further time in which to continue negotiations looking to a peaceful solution of the Cuban problem.

Congress chafes like a chained lion. It will be impossible to prevent it taking action next week.

Spain is actively preparing for war. Vessels of the Trans-Atlantic line are being equipped as cruisers. It is announced that Spain has no further concessions to make.

It is reported that the Spanish torpedo fleet has arrived at Porto Rico.

The matter will almost surely be settled for peace or war next week.

Tobacco Seed.

I had grown for me the past season a stock of Vuelta de Abajo tobacco seed from best imported stock, which is guaranteed true to name. Price: Packet 5 cents; one-half ounce, 20 cents; ounce, 35 cents; one-fourth of a pound 95 cents; pound, \$3. Postage extra; 1 cent for two ounces or less; 8 cents per pound.

J. B. SUTTON,
dw2m Seedman, Ocala, Fla.

The sons of the Confederate veterans will meet Wednesday night to organize a camp for Ocala and Marion county. They have counted noses and find there are about sixty of them in the city. They propose to send a big delegation to the dedication of the Hemming Monument at Jacksonville April 26th.

—Gerig & Co. sell the finest flavoring extracts in town.

—New lot of Crash Hats received. Davidson & VanEchop.

—Quaker Oats 10 cents, at Gerig & Co's

Thursday General Dickison visited the veteran's camp at Palatka. They gave him a public reception Thursday night, in which members of both the G. A. R. and the U. C. V. paid their respects. Hon. B. P. Calhoun made the address of welcome, to which General Dickison made a suitable reply.

—Do not fail to use Compound Celery Extract for a spring blood medicine, sold at the Anti-Monopoly drug store at 25 cents per bottle.

S. A. Standley, of the firm of Liddon & Standley, will return Monday from Lexington, Ky., with a car load of horses.

—Wax Crayons for maps or other drawing, seven colors for 5 cents, at the Anti-Monopoly drug store.

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The finance committee are preparing for the union gospel meetings arranged for next week. They held a meeting yesterday, which organization was perfected by electing R. C. Love, chairman and H. C. Groves, secretary and treasurer, to act during the meeting.



Editor Brann Slain

Waco, Texas, April 2.—A street duel took place here yesterday between Editor Brann of the Iconoclast and Capt. T. M. Davis. Both were mortally wounded. Mr. Brann died at 1:55 this morning.

Band Concert

The Metropolitan band gave one of their delightful open air concerts from the band stand last night. A good audience greeted them and enjoyed the nice music very much.

Union Tent Services.

The union tent services in the big tent in the Gary grove on Ocklawaha avenue will begin tomorrow afternoon, under the supervision of Rev. J. B. Lee, the eloquent evangelist.

Dress Making

Dress making and plain sewing of all kinds at No. 48 Second street in the Yonge cottage, a little more than two blocks from postoffice. 3 141m

There will be no meeting of the B. Y. P. U. at the Baptist church on Sunday afternoon, on account of the union tent meeting in the Gary grove which meets at the same hour.

—A fresh lot of mixed nuts just received at Gerig & Co's

—New and nobby line of ladies and gents ties received yesterday at C. Rheinauer's.

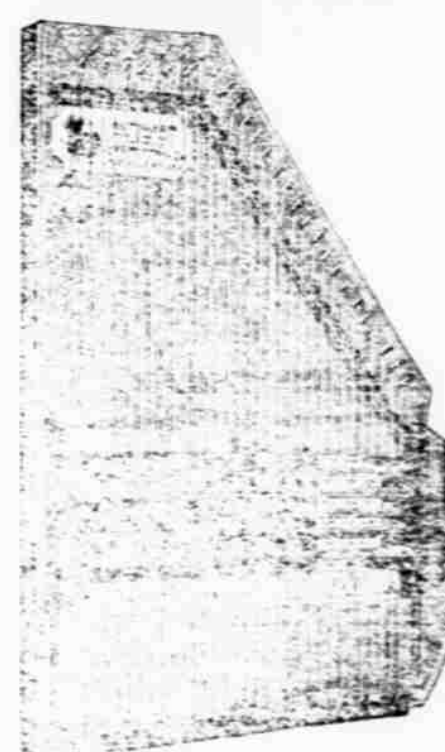
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